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SUBJECT: ~~BLACK STUDENT UNION,~~
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Source referred to in LHM is Doctor P. ANDREW RENNEI, (established Baltimore source), Prince Georges County Community College, Largo, Maryland.

Investigation contained in LHM was conducted by SA ROY G. WETZEL.

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LHM is classified "~~Confidential~~," "~~Group I~~", since it contains information that could possibly identify a source of continuing value.

CHARLES EARL PARKER, mentioned in LHM, is currently the leader of the Black Student Union at Prince Georges County Community College, and an active investigation is being instituted by Baltimore on PARKER and the Prince Georges County Community College BSU.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Baltimore, Maryland 21202

November 6, 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to
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RE: BLACK STUDENT UNION,
PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY
COMMUNITY COLLEGE,
LARGO, MARYLAND

On November 6, 1969, a source advised that there had been a two inch cherry bomb explode in the Prince Georges County Community College cafeteria juke box at approximately 2:00 p.m. on October 5, 1969. Initially this incident was thought to be a prank by the college students and a way of gaining attention. However, source advised that after further consideration and investigation by the school, the following seems to be the reason and explanation for this activity:

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On Monday, November 3, 1969, an individual by the name of Jimmy Garrett, a Negro male who formerly taught at San Francisco State College, was invited to lecture at Prince Georges County Community College by a black student group presently using the name "Black Student Union". This organization has been active in attempting to obtain appropriate civil rights for black students at Prince Georges County Community College.

Source advised he has learned that Jimmy Garrett is a former Black Panther Party member and has organized a group in the Washington, D. C. area known as the Center for Black Education which has as its aim Black Separatism in education.

A characterization of the Black Panther Party is appended hereto.

Source advised that Garrett talked to members of the BSU at Prince Georges County Community College about Black Separatism and the Negro role in American Society. Source advised he could not furnish specific details as to Garrett's speech. However, after this

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meeting. Source advised that on November 5, 1969, at approximately twelve noon, Charles Earl Parker, the current leader of the BSU, Prince Georges County Community College and about ten other Negro students held a conversation or possibly a meeting in the hall of the Fine Arts Building at Prince Georges County Community College. At this meeting they talked about the apparent withdrawal of funds from the Prince Georges County Community College, BSU by the school trustees.

Source advised that shortly after this meeting broke up, a two inch cherry bomb was exploded in the juke box at the cafeteria of the Prince Georges County Community College and a Negro girl started screaming "get out of the building, get out of the building." While other Negro students obtained fire extinguishers and began squirting them indiscriminately.

During the ensuing confusion, approximately 200 students left the cafeteria while others gathered to see what was going on. In the midst of this apparently black and white students began verbal abuse and name calling since some had been squirted with fire extinguishers. Several individual fights broke out as a result of this activity. Approximately ten minutes after the cherry bomb was exploded, Doctor Andrew P. Rennie, Dean of Students at the Prince Georges County Community College, entered the building with several Prince Georges County Community College Sheriff's Officers

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and told the students that there was a force of approximately 100 police ready to remove the students in approximately ten minutes if they did not disperse. Doctor Rennie advised that in ten minutes, if they had not been dispersed, that they would be expelled.

Source advised that the groups dispersed, however, the Negro students took their complaints to Mr. John Bodner, Prince Georges County Community College, Public Relations Director and a list of seven demands by the Black Student Union was drawn up and mimeographed. Charles Parker was the main proponent of the seven demands listed as:

1. Immediate funds for the Black Student Union and scholarships.

2. Active recruiting by Prince Georges County Community College of black high school students.

3. Removal of white instructors from black studies programs.

4. Active Prince Georges County Community College support of the Black community as a whole.

5. Development of a black curriculum by blacks.

6. A black student review board

7. Recruitment of black employees throughout Prince Georges County Community College.

Source advised that there were no arrests resulting from the above activity.

Source further advised that a meeting was held on the evening of November 5, 1969, with the trustees and the Black Student Union in cooperation with the Students for a Democratic Society at Prince Georges County Community College regarding funds for these two groups.

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A characterization of the SDS is appended hereto.

Source advised that there is a meeting set for Monday, November 10, 1969, by Prince Georges County Community College Trustees and all black students and interested students at Prince Georges County Community College are invited to attend.

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BLACK PANTHER PARTY,
Also Known As
Black Panther Party for Self-Defense

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Included in the introduction to an article appearing in the October 5, 1968, edition of "The Black Panther" is the statement "...we will not dissent from American Government. We will overthrow it."

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STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY

A source has advised that the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), as it is known today, came into being at a founding convention held at Port Huron, Michigan, in June, 1962. From an initial ideological posture of "participatory democracy," the current line of the national leadership reveals an adherence to Marxism-Leninism. Michael Klonsky, National Secretary, in March, 1969, called for the building of a revolutionary Marxist-Leninist movement. The program of SDS has moved from involvement in civil rights struggles to an anti-Vietnam war position and finally to its present advocacy of an anti-imperialist line, linking up the oppressed peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America with the black liberation movement in the United States. China, Vietnam and Cuba are regarded as countries which are leading the world-wide struggles against United States imperialism. On the other hand, SDS regards the Soviet Union as an imperialist power and does not support the policies of that country.

SDS maintains a National Office in Room 206, 1608 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois. Its official paper "New Left Notes" shows the line of the national leadership and program adopted at meetings of the National Council and National Interim Committee (NIC). Three national officers and a NIC of eleven members are elected each year during a June National Convention.

SDS Regional Offices and university and college chapters elect delegates to National Council meetings wherein program and ideology are debated, but each Region and chapter is autonomous in nature and is free to carry out independent policy and programs reflective of local conditions.

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REFERENCES:

SUMMARY

Baltimore airtel and LHM November 6, 1969.

ADMINISTRATIVE DATA:

The PGCC-BSU was formerly known as AFRO American Society. Since organization is not holding any particular meetings and is loosely knit group of Negro students at Prince Georges Community College interested in civil rights type activity. Baltimore is conducting no further active investigation in this matter. If information comes to the attention of Baltimore indicating case should be re-opened, active investigation will be immediately instituted.

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Report of: SA ROY G. WETZEL
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Title: BLACK STUDENT UNION
PRINCE GEORGES COMMUNITY COLLEGE
(BSU-PGCC)
LARGO, MARYLAND

Character: Racial Matter

Synopsis: The Prince Georges Community College, Black Student Union (PGCC/BSU) is a newly formed civil rights organization at the Prince Georges County College, Largo, Maryland. No constitutions filed with the college set forth are its officers and activities

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DETAILS:I. PREDICATION

On Monday, November 3, 1969 JIMMY GARRETT, a Negro male allegedly a former Black Panther Party member and teacher at San Francisco State College was invited to lecture at the Prince Georges Community College by a black student group currently using the name "Black Student Union". GARRETT is currently the leader of a group in Washington, D.C. known as the Center for Black Education whose aim is black separatism in education.

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(A characterization of the Black Panther
Party is appended)

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II. OFFICERS

President:	CHARLES PARKER, 4506 39th Place, Brentwood, Maryland
Treasurer:	WILLIAM LAWRENCE HILL, 9508 Noble Drive, Oxon Hill, Maryland
Secretary:	SAUNDRA JOHNSON, 410 Larchmont Avenue, Capitol Heights, Maryland

The above officers have not been elected but consider themselves officers.

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III. ORGANIZATION

The PGCC/BSU is currently a student group at the PGCC, Largo, Maryland campus working for better black/white understanding. The BSU has not yet filed a charter with the school student government association and there are no immediate plans to do same.

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IV. MEMBERS

There are currently about ten Negro students who belong to the PGCC/BSU at PGCC, Largo, Maryland. Most of the Negro students at the college are active in other campus organizations and do not attend BSU functions.

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On November 10, 1969 a meeting was held at the PGCC Largo, Maryland where several Negro students at the college presented their views to the college trustees. One of the speakers was CHARLES PARKER the president of the PGCC/BSU. No definite actions were proposed regarding Negro studies or student demands at the school.

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V. FINANCES

The PGCC/ESU has no money and there have been no finance drives at the college on the part of this organization.

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VI. PUBLICATIONS

No publications have appeared on the PGCC campus bearing the name of PGCC/ESU.

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VII. ACTIVITIES

On November 5, 1969 a 2 inch cherry bomb exploded in a juke box in the cafeteria at PGCC. Members of the PGCC/ESU were taking credit for the disruption because funds had been withdrawn by the school trustees for Negro activities on campus. Prior to this incident a meeting was held in a PGCC hall in the fine arts building by approximately 10 students led by CHARLES EARL PARKER. This group considers itself the PGCC Black Student Union.

On November 5, 1969 CHARLES PARKER and his group presented the following 7 demands to Mr. JOHN BODNER, PGCC Public Relations Director:

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Baltimore, Maryland

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Reference	Baltimore report dated and captioned as above.

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BLACK STUDENT UNION (BSU)
 PRINCE GEORGES COMMUNITY COLLEGE,
 LARGO, MARYLAND
 RACIAL MATTERS

Rerep of SA Roy G. Wetzel, 1/30/70 at Baltimore.

In view of disturbances in November, 1969, at Prince Georges Community College (PGCC) the captioned group claimed to have created and as the group has been passing out literature sympathetic to the Black Panther Party (BPP) at this college during the past few months, Baltimore is to return this matter to a pending status.

Additional coverage must be developed at PGCC as it is evident information is being obtained only through one established source who is the Dean of Students. Bulet to all offices 1/31/69 captioned "Black Student Groups on College Campuses, RM" contains instructions regarding investigations of black student groups on college campuses. It is emphasized in this letter that it will be necessary to have sufficient coverage to be kept advised of the aims and activities of these groups so that the Bureau will be advised in advance of their plans to engage in violence or disruptive activities on the campus.

Baltimore should attempt to obtain through established sources copies of the literature sympathetic to the BPP being passed out by the BSU. Charles Earl Parker was named in rerep as the leader of the BSU. Therefore, Baltimore is to initiate investigation to develop background information and determine if he has connections with black extremist organizations or has been engaged in extremist activities in the past. Information developed of a pertinent nature should be submitted under his individual case caption.

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Black Drive Is Rebuffed At College

By Dave McNeely

Washington Post Staff Writer

The trustees of Prince George's County Community College last night rejected some of the demands made by a group of black students and defended many of the school's practices and policies.

The trustees' response, which included a condemnation of the black students' destruction of a jukebox during a demonstration in the school cafeteria last Wednesday, was rejected angrily by about 40 black students.

A statement read to the trustees by Clarence Hampton, one of the Negro students, termed the trustees' response "tokenism" and "unjust and discriminatory."

"We maintain that this school will change or this school will die," Hampton said.

Twice last night about 40 black students walked out of the board of trustees meeting, held on the school's Largo, Md., campus. County Sheriff William J. Kersey and several deputies in plain clothes were present during most of the meeting. At one point, a sheriff's van was backed up to the door of the classroom building in which the meeting was held.

About an hour after the students' first walkout, deputies refused to let them re-enter the meeting room. At this point, Board Chairman Dr. David F. Johnson, a Negro, had the students admitted and asked Kersey to remove his men.

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Kersey complied, and commented to a reporter, "they can have this whole damn college. If that's what the taxpayers of Prince George's County want, let them have it."

A photographer employed by the sheriff's office remained at the meeting photographing the black students.

College President Dr. Watson F. Pindell said later the school administration had called the sheriff's office and had expected that deputies would be in the area, although not necessarily on campus.

After the student group rejected the trustees' response to their demands, they walked out the second time.

Board member Chester E. Whiting then said he wanted to be sure that school administration channels would be open to the students. Member Louis J. DiTrani replied that the board had heard nothing to indicate that students had been denied an administrative hearing.

Last Wednesday's demonstration, in which about 50 black students took over the cafeteria and blew a hole in a jukebox with a large firecracker, came following reports that funds for the college's Black Student Union would be withheld because DiTrani was concerned about the group's activities.

In their statement last night, the trustees repeated a statement made following the demonstration that all barriers to release of the funds for both the black student union and the local Students for a Democratic Society were cleared before the demonstration took place.

Black students had also demanded recruitment and employment of black counselors, teachers and staff; active recruitment of black high school students; no-white instructors teaching black courses; active support of the black community by the college; development of black curriculum by blacks and a black-student review board.

The board replied that the college now employs six faculty members, a black nurse and three black staff members. Competition for qualified blacks is strong, the board said, and invited community groups to help the school find "black instructors qualified to teach in college."

The college's doors are open to any high school graduate, the board said, and admissions representatives had visited predominantly black Fairmont Heights High School on Oct. 28 to tell seniors about the college.

College training of day-care assistants and participation in the county's model cities program are examples of "efforts to improve the economic and educational circumstances of county citizens," the board said, and added it will direct the college's Director of Community Services to investigate "expanding and implementing programs which affect the black community."

The board rejected the demand that black courses be taught by blacks. "Such courses taught by qualified white instructors are being well received," the board said.

The board said any students desiring new courses "may present their suggestions to the college curriculum committee."

The board also rejected a proposed black student review board. The request "implies that black students should be judged by different standards than white students or that only black people can judge black students," the board said.

The board pointed out that 23 per cent of students receiving financial aid are black, and said "the basis for help is need and not race."

The board's statement clearly understood that this board always acts out of concern, never out of fear."

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... to show you that we are not happy, contented singing and dancing Negroes who will sit by and be (screwed) dealt with or totally ignored.

Our individual lives are much more important than white politicians; we will not be used as scapegoats for ambitious political aspirants on the Board of Trustees.

DiTrani, the politician in question, has slandered us and in his reactionary attempts to refuse funds for Black students on Campus he has deprived the Black community of needed services.

We will no longer sit here and be brainwashed by white society and its irrelevant education system.

We will be taught what we consider vital for us as Black men and women and what we deem important for the survival of the Black community.

The school will change or the school will die: our demands of the school are as follows:

1. Funds for Black Student Union to be released and the scholarship and community programs are to be included as per submitted budget.
2. Active recruitment of Black high school students.
3. No white instructors teaching black courses.
4. Active participation by the College in support of the Black community.
5. Black student curriculum developed by Black people.
6. Black student review board.
7. Recruitment and employment for Black personnel. (administrators, counselors, teachers and staff.)

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Juke Box Rocks Campus; Brings Board Response

Popular music really rocked on campus as the juke box in the Student Union exploded on Nov. 5.

The machine, which fire officials say was damaged with a two-inch firecracker, was the focal point of a confrontation between two groups of students.

Immediately after the explosion, a black student with a fire extinguisher ordered students to leave the building. Donning a motorcycle helmet, one white student refused to leave. He picked up a chair, shouting in a voice which was unintelligible because of his head gear, and advanced toward the group of black students which had gathered. A black student in the group picked up another chair, walking toward the helmeted boy. Both students were restrained by others and dissuaded from further violence.

The students who had been ordered from the building, re-entered to watch the conflict. Dean of students Andrew Rennie ordered students to leave again, saying that those who remained would be suspended. All students left at this time.

Ten fire department vehicles answered alarms on campus, including the Ritchie Volunteer, Seat Pleasant, and the Capitol Heights fire companies.

Although several police cars and one paddy wagon were observed on campus, there were no arrests made.

Proceeds of the destroyed machine were divided between the company that owns the device and the Student Union Fund, each one receiving half.

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Board Of Trustees Replies To BSU; Students Walk Out; Refuse Decision

The Black Students Union, whether present or not, dominated the November 10th meeting of the Board of Trustees. Locked doors, an overabundance of police officers, slogans and epithets all added to a confusing meeting.

Immediately after the approval of the minutes Dr. Pesci, Vice-Chairman of the Board, moved that the ruling of the Board on the BSU demands, which originally was placed fifth on the agenda, become the first order of business. Before reading the prepared reply, Dr. Johnson, Chairman of the Board, stated the following: (1) this is a formal meeting and (2) due to the lack of time, the Board will permit no interruptions or questions. Dr. Johnson asked that any questions arising from the Board's reply should be submitted through the proper channels (deans, the presidents of either college or the SGA, etc.). He then read the following statement:

REPLY OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO PROPOSALS SUBMITTED BY A GROUP OF BLACK STUDENTS

The first proposal the Board considered deals with the employment of black personnel—faculty, administrators, counselors and staff. Currently, the College employs six black faculty members, a black nurse, and three black staff members. The college has a deep and continuing interest in obtaining qualified black instructors. Since other colleges are also actively recruiting the same group the demand far exceeds the supply. We, therefore, invite community groups to bring to our attention black instructors qualified to teach in college.

The second proposal to which the Board directed its attention concerns the active recruitment of black high school graduates. Since admission to this College is not based on race or color, enrollment of black high school students is encouraged on the same conditions as those applying to all other students. The "open door" policy of the community college is such that a student is required to have only a high school diploma or to have passed the state-administered G.E.D. Test (General Educational Development Test) to be admitted to the College. As a matter of fact, Admissions representatives visited the Fairmont Heights High School on October 28 to give interested seniors an opportunity to learn first-hand about the College and what it offers.

Although the tuition is only \$125.00 a semester, financial need prevents some qualified students from getting a college education. Both County and Federal aid is available in the form of scholarships, work-study grants, and loans. A review of our records of financial aid discloses that 23% of the students receiving assistance are black. Clearly, within the limits of our resources, the basis for help is need not race.

The third proposal taken up by the Board advocates active participation by the College in support of the black community. Since the College takes its name (community college) from a concern which is uniquely emphasized among institutions of higher learning, no activity is more appropriate than participation with local associations in their efforts to improve the economic and educational circumstances of County citizens. Two examples of what the college is doing in this field should be mentioned. The first is the Day Care Assistants Course. This instruction provided state-required training at a nominal fee for persons who could not have obtained it in any other way. Of the seventeen who completed the course, seven were black.

The second example of college involvement in community problems is its participation in the Model Cities Program. In May of 1969 the College applied for and has since received a federal grant which will enable it to work with the Model Cities Program. This project, which has been authorized for \$20,640 by the College along with the County and Federal governments, will begin this winter. It proposes to bring together key people from the County and Model Cities to identify the problems of the area, to examine the programs now attempting their solution, and to mobilize additional public and private resources of the County for a more extensive attack on the ills of the community.

The Director of Community Services is hereby assigned the task of investigating the possibilities of expanding and implementing programs which affect the black community.

The fourth proposal insists that white instructors should not teach black courses. The origin of this proposal arises from the feeling expressed by black students that to teach a black studies course the instructor must be black. The Board cannot subscribe to this thesis. As a matter of fact, such courses taught by qualified white instructors are being well received by our students.

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The fifth proposal states that Black Studies courses should be developed by black people. The development of curriculum is the responsibility of the College Curriculum Committee. This group, chaired by the Dean of Academic Affairs, is made up of faculty from all divisions and students. Any group of students advocating the development and adoption of new courses may present their suggestions to the Committee for consideration.

The sixth proposal call for the establishment of a Black Student Review Board. This proposal implies that black students should be judged by different standards than white students or that only black people can judge black students. In both cases the Board denies the validity of such an assumption. All individuals enrolled in the College, regardless of color, are properly grouped under the one classification of students. It goes, almost without saying, that the composition of such college review boards in any area should reflect this same principle. That is, qualified students or faculty members, regardless of color, are eligible for service in this capacity. This practice is being followed.

The seventh proposal asks that funds for the black group be released and that scholarship and community programs should be funded in accordance with the initial budget request.

Originally the Board considered the question as to whether or not it would directly decide on requests from student organizations to be funded out of student activity funds or leave this matter in the hands of the President who has handled it in previous years. . . . Because of the lateness of the hour, his decision was not consummated at the Board meeting of October 2. In order that this delay might not cramp the planned activity of any club, permission was given for necessary interim spending during the period in which the Board of Trustees was deliberating. On Wednesday morning, the President of the College was told that an informal poll of the Board revealed its unanimous decision to continue the practice of leaving the approval of the Student Government Association's budget completely within the President's authority. He immediately gave his approval to the Student budget and notified the President of the Student Government Association that funds could be disbursed immediately. It should be clear, therefore, first, that student use of budget funds had never been completely cut off, and second, that full use of the funds had been given before the disturbance in the cafeteria on Wednesday afternoon.

Finally, since the budget cuts in any club requests were made by the Student Government Association and not by the College Administration or the Board of Trustees, appeals for the restoration of funds should be addressed to the Student Government Association.

The Board cannot conclude its remarks on these proposals without referring to its general responsibility for the happenings on the campus. Its concern for the maintenance of decorum and discipline throughout the College is genuine and abiding. It is profoundly disturbed by the destruction of the juke box in the cafeteria on Wednesday, November 5. This was a criminal act. We heartily support the President in a thorough investigation of this matter so that the offenders may be discovered and prosecuted. The Board cannot tolerate efforts by any group to take control of any building or even a room on this campus.

It should be clearly understood that this Board always acts out of concern, never out of fear.

BSU Walks Out

Immediately after the reading of the above statement the fifty members of the BSU present staged an orderly walkout, supported by SDS.

Approximately forty to fifty black students walked out in disgust of the board's decision. The incident was a pleasant and dignified way of telling the board members, that the black students don't and won't accept the board or its decision until they both change. Following the walk out a black student meeting was held in room 125B, to discuss the happening in room 116.

125B was a room full of discontented black students as well as a few whites who saw the decision as an unjust and discriminatory act. The whole incident became a chain of reactions. The students were tight and tense and by no means satisfied with actions that were taken on the demands. Disbarred from the student meeting was a press reporter from the Star. A student walked to the door and flatly refused the reporter admittance to the meeting by politely closing the door in his face.

Charles Parker, the president of BSU, came in late to the board meeting and he was a little puzzled as to what had been said. Parker realized after discussing what had been said, that in reality black students had been allotted two out of the original seven demands.

The biggest question that arose among the black students was whether to return to the meeting and question the board or take another measure on the matter. Keith Wilson, a black student, spoke angrily about the board's decision and took the stand that the black students should return and question the board. In the first phase of the meeting some felt this idea was good but as the meeting progressed a little further the majority felt there was no need to return, the reason being that the board was not going to change its decision. All of the students were disenchanted with the board and by the students' expressions there was no feeling of love for the board at all.

Although at that moment many black students felt there was no need to go back, Keith Wilson persisted that he was going back even if it meant going alone. Charles Parker then told the group that either we all go or none of us go. Several times the sergeant of arms, Reggie Jackson, had to keep order because of loud outbursts, but as soon as he spoke the students got quiet. The black students showed respect and admiration for Reggie by complying to his wishes.

Ivy Young, a strong individual and an outspoken black student, made the suggestion to the group to make out a statement to present to the board and let everybody in room agree upon it. The idea was taken and a group of black students left the room to compose a statement. Later on a student returned to say that the doors were locked and they were not letting anyone in.

About 9:00 the small group returned and Clarence Hampton read the statement asking agreement from the other black students. Following the reading of the BSU's statement the black and white students proceeded to walk out towards room 116.

Black students returned to the scene of the crime in room 116 only to find that the doors were closed to any black face as well as any white face. The students gathered around the door where several plain clothed police barred the door.

The policeman told the student that Dr. Rennie gave orders to lock the door and allow no one to enter. The students by this time were in no mood to play hide-and-go-seek. Clarence Hampton immediately shouted to the press to come closer and take pictures of the now closed meeting. In two seconds cameras were flashing while the students shouted remarks into the auditorium.

One of the plain clothes policemen asked the students not to block a door. One black student told the policeman, "We are not blocking the door, it's all in your imagination." The policeman then turned red and slammed the door shut in the students' faces which caused the students to begin teasing the police.

After two minutes of fun with the police Dr. Johnson decided to make an entrance. Johnson stepped out and talked to the students in a belligerent tone of voice and was by no means pleasing. Dr. Johnson asked the students if they had something to say to him, then they could say it to him in the lobby; in turn, the students asked him what was wrong with the auditorium.

As if a gun had been put at his back Johnson's tune and attitude changed by telling the students the doors shouldn't have been locked anyway. Black students and white by-passed Johnson to enter the auditorium.

Before allowing the BSU and other groups to make their statements, Dr. Johnson attempted to clarify the remarks which he had made prior to his reading of the Board's reply to BSU demands. "The Chair did not mean to stifle response to its policy statement," he said. "The Board merely feels that these questions are best handled by the administration and student groups. An unfortunate interpretation was placed on my words." To questions of the Board's knowledge of extra police forces on campus, Dr. Johnson replied, "The Board is aware of the normal security forces. The Chairman was not aware of the two vehicles (paddy wagons which had been drawn up to the Classroom Building), or the extra sheriffs and deputies. I felt that they were unnecessary and requested removal of the vehicles."

Dr. Johnson, at this time, reaffirmed his faith in the responsiveness of the administration, backed up by Trustee Louis DiTrani, who stated that he "had no evidence that the administration shut its mind to student demands."

Following these remarks Dr. Johnson relinquished the floor to three student speakers: Clarence Hampton of BSU, John Zimmerman of the SDS, and SGA President Jay Bricker (who was speaking for himself, not the SGA). Their statements were as follows:

BSU Statement

"The black and concerned students of this campus refuse to accept the reply of the Board of Trustees. We consider the response unjust and discriminatory. We refuse to accept tokenism and threat as a means of pacification. We will not be falsely accused of destruction we did not commit. The Board's refusal to hear our elaboration on demands presented to them on Nov. 5 is considered a racist act and a cause for further concern. We insist on an immediate change in now existing policies on this campus. We maintain this school will change or this school will die."

SDS Statement

"SDS recognizes and fully supports the Black Students demands as being justifiable, non-negotiable and relevant to their needs as human beings.

"Once again this white racist power structure has denied blacks natural rights just as it oppresses all the working classes. We fully recognize that the Board is a puppet organization of the power structure and does not act in the interest of the people of this community.

"They are doing their best to keep the races fighting each other realizing that it's easier to control people on a racial contradiction than on a class contradiction. Thus keeping us from struggling together for a relevant education and meaningful life."

Bricker's Statement

"The SGA is against closed meetings. There are too many cops on this campus. This is not the normal security force. You (the Board) are not relating to these people (the blacks). You are not listening to these people."

Following the reading of the above statements the BSU and SDS members staged a second united walkout, chanting "Off the Pigs."

The black students assembled in the lobby, dispersing in small groups.

A group of about ten black students approached Dr. Rennie, who was outside. Keith Wilson asked Dr. Rennie if a statement that he made was true. Dr. Rennie said no he did not but he did say that he thought "militancy should be met with militancy."

The black students walked away while one student shouted, "This is what you're breeding whatever is the outcome you were the cause of it."

After the hub-bub of the walkout had ended, the Board finished the business on its agenda. The meeting, which was begun at 7:30 p.m., ended about 10:30. Dr. Johnson was asked by the Owl to make a summary quote, expressing his personal opinion on the BSU matter. Said the Chairman of the Board, "I urge the administration to allow all students a free voice. Negotiations should continue. The Board is not reluctant to participate. I feel, however, that the administration is the proper line of communication. The normal procedures should be utilized until it is demonstrated to us that such are inadequate."

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BSU Presents Afro-American Additions To Curriculum Group

Things looked black at the College Senate Curriculum Committee November 12, but nobody at all was depressed by it.

The Black Students Union presented its proposed new courses including Afro-American Art, Afro-American Music, Afro-American Drama, African Dance, and courses on black history, literature and anthropology.

The meeting was chaired by Dr. Wilfred Saint, Dean of Academic Affairs, who turned the chair over to Student Government President Jay Bricker. Bricker set the tone of the meeting by allowing BSU President Charles Parker to explain the list of proposed courses.

At this Mr. Michael Emmanuel interjected that it would be better to have faculty members draw up extensive course outlines and then present them to the committee. Mr. Clarence Hampton, another BSU member, explained that this was already being done and that Parker's presentation was in the form of a preview.

Dr. Andrew P. Rennie, Dean of Students, suggested the addition of developmental courses to benefit both black and white students who are not yet ready to learn on a collegiate level.

Pointing out that transfer requirements must be met, Mrs. Betty Renshaw, Chairman of the English division, said that courses must be designed to fit four-year college requirements. Replying that Maryland University is not the absolute criteria for course acceptability, Mr. Thomas Webner, President of the Faculty Senate, said that many universities are accepting Black Studies courses. Webner, who is proposing a course in Popular Culture, did not present his course outline at the meeting.

The meeting drifted away from curriculum as the BSU budget was discussed. This discussion was rather one-sided as Maureen Terella, SGA representative revealed that the College's Director of Community Services, Mr. Charles Coslick, had been ordered by Dean of the Evening Division, Robert I. Bickford, to consider teaching English as his first responsibility.

Parker and Hampton also told of the group's plans for the drug addiction seminar and a Christmas party for poor children. The Student Finance Board, which cut the money for these items from the BSU budget, is not expected to allow the group to disperse its money in this manner. Charles Parker stated that, "We will go on with our Christmas program with or without the College's help."

The Finance Board consists of five students: SGA President Jay Bricker, Vice-President Martin Tillet, William Shelton, and William Garner.

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RE: BLACK STUDENT UNION (BSU)
PRINCE GEORGES COMMUNITY COLLEGE,
LARGO, MARYLAND

On February 27, 1970, a source familiar with the Black Student Union (BSU) at Prince Georges Community College advised Special Agent ROY G. WETZEL of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) that that organization had been relatively inactive since the Spring, 1970 school semester began. Source advised that CHARLES EARL PARKER, the leader of the BSU at Prince Georges Community College, Largo, Maryland, is currently registered as a student; however, he has very few followers among the Black students at Prince Georges Community College since there is a constant and high turnover of students at the school.

Source advised that the BSU has put forth as its aims, racial equality of Blacks and the institution of a Black Studies Program at the College.

On February 27, 1970, a second source advised that to the best of his knowledge, the BSU at Prince Georges Community College, Largo, Maryland has been inactive since the Spring, 1970 semester began; however, there is a Black Week planned at Prince Georges Community College during March or April, 1970 and various Black leaders from the greater Washington, D. C. area will be invited by the Prince Georges Community College Student Government Association to participate.

A third source advised that there was no officially recognized organization known as the Black Student Union at Prince Georges Community College, Largo,

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Maryland so far as the Student Government Association is concerned. However, CHARLES EARL PARKER, a student at the College was the leader of a small group of Black students who called themselves the BSU and are interested in racial equality at the College and obtain a Black Studies Program.

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SUBJECT: BLACK STUDENT UNION (BSU)
PRINCE GEORGES COMMUNITY COLLEGE,
LARGO, MARYLAND
RACIAL MATTERS

Re report of SA ROY G. WETZEL, dated 1/30/70,
and Bureau airtel to Baltimore, dated 2/12/70.

Enclosed for the Bureau are seven copies of a
self-explanatory Letterhead Memorandum (LHM) dated and
captioned as above.

Sources referred to in LHM are as follows:

First source is Doctor ANDREW P. RENNIE,
established Baltimore source, Dean of Students, Prince
Georges Community College, Largo, Maryland.

Second source is Colonel RONALD ROLLAND, Prince
Georges County Sheriff's Office, Intelligence Unit.

Third source is THOMAS CARTER, Bureau applicant,
Prince Georges County Student and Student Government
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CHARLES EARL PARKER, Leader of the BSU at Prince Georges Community College is currently under investigation by Bureau and appropriate background will be furnished upon completion of investigation; Baltimore file 157-4312, and Bureau file is 157-16255.

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AT LARGO, MARYLAND

Will follow activities of Black Week at Prince Georges Community College to determine activities of BSU there.

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Report is classified "~~Confidential~~" to protect informant BA T-1, the disclosure of which could jeopardize future effectiveness.

Report on CHARLES EARL PARKER is being submitted under separate caption.

INFORMANT DATA:

BA T-1 is Dr. ANDREW P. RENNIE, Dean of Students, Prince Georges Community College, Largo, Maryland (157-43910-9).

BA T-2 is Col. ROLAND ROLLAND, Prince Georges County Sheriff's Office, Intelligence Unit (157-43910-9).

BA T-3 is THOMAS CARTER, Prince Georges County Student Government leader (157-43910-9).

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Report of: SA ROY G. WETZEL
Date: June 23, 1970

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Title: BLACK STUDENT UNION,
PRINCE GEORGES COMMUNITY COLLEGE,
(BSU - PGCC)
LARGO, MARYLAND

Character: RACIAL MATTER

Synopsis: The Prince Georges Community College, Black Student Union was under the leadership of CHARLES EARL PARKER, however, when PARKER was dismissed academically, the organization became defunct. There are no current officers or members of this organization.

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DETAILS: I. ORGANIZATION:

The Prince Georges Community College Black Student Union, (PGCCBSU), was not active during the spring of 1970 school year. However, it is registered as a student organization, but has very few followers among the Black Student Union at PGCC. since there is a constant and high turnover at the school. Its aims are racial equity of blacks and an institution of a black studies program at the university.

(BA T-1 and BA T-2 on 2/27/70)

There is no officially recognized organization known as the Black Student Union on the Prince Georges Community College, Largo, Maryland, as far as the Student Government Association is concerned.

(BA T-3 on 3/27/70)

II. OFFICERS

The President is CHARLES EARL PARKER, 4506 39th Place, Brentwood, Maryland. Other officers have withdrawn from school. CHARLES EARL PARKER was academically dismissed from PGCC for receiving four F's and one Incomplete in his courses and is not eligible to

return to his classes.

(BA T-1 on 6/11/70)

III. MEMBERS

There is no formal membership of the organization and only black students at PGCC who consider themselves members of the PGCC are personal friends of CHARLES EARL PARKER.

(BA T-1 on 2/27/70)

IV. ACTIVITIES

The BSUPGCC plans a Black Week from April 13-17, 1970.

(BA T-1 on 3/10/70)

(BA T-2 on 3/10/70)

On April 20, 1970, it was determined that the Student Government Association at PGCC had several speakers from the Greater Washington, D.C. area speak before some of the classes at PGCC, however, as such, there was no Black Week at the University.

(BA T-1 on 4/20/70)

There have been no activities at PGCC since April 17, 1970, that could be associated with any organization of blacks at the university.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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Re Bureau airtel to Albany, 11/4/70.

The below named groups and schools were the subjects of preliminary inquiries re Black Student Union activities in the Baltimore Division.

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Coppin State College, Baltimore,
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5. Black Student Union,
Towson State Teachers College,
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6. Black Student Union,
Morgan State College,
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Preliminary inquiries at other colleges in the Baltimore Division has failed to reveal any Black Student Union activities of significance at this time.

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At Baltimore, Maryland

Will follow lead as set forth in referenced communication.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, BALTIMORE

FROM : SA MALCOLM L. MACDOUGALL

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DATE: 12/16/70

Attached are xerox copies of the Bureau airtels dated November 4, 1970 and December 15, 1970, with specific instructions regarding investigations to be conducted. Each case Agent is to be accordingly guided and should immediately institute inquiries so that the Bureau's responsibilities can be carried out.

It is to be noted that the Bureau has set a deadline in these matters and it is expected that preliminary inquiries concerning the organizations themselves will be completed in order to reach the Bureau no later than January 30, 1971. Individual cases at that time will be opened on the of information contained in your report with a 45 day deadline and these investigations are to be conducted in accordance with instructions in Section 87 D of the Manual of Instructions regarding investigations of organizations connected with institutions of learning.

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ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES
RACIAL MATTERS

Re Baltimore airtel dated 12/4/70 and Bureau airtel dated 12/15/70.

Revaluation of the Baltimore Survey conducted in connection with captioned Program, Baltimore has determined that Black Students Unions (BSU) and similar organizations have been organized to project the demonstrations of Black Students on campuses at the following institutions located within the Baltimore Division:

Prince Georges County Community College
Largo, Maryland

Coppin State College
Baltimore, Maryland

University of Maryland,
Baltimore County Campus (UMBC)
Baltimore County, Maryland

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(2 - 157-5401 BSU, Coppin State College)
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(2 - 157-New BSU, University of Md., College Park)
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University of Maryland College Park
College Park, Maryland

Towson State
Towson, Maryland

Morgan State College
Baltimore, Maryland

and Delaware State College
Dover, Delaware

As of this communication, there are no other known BSU's or similar organizations operating within the Baltimore Division and coverage of the other institutions has been affected in order to praise the Baltimore Division in the event such organizations appear on campuses in this area. In connection with the above organizations at the aforementioned institutions, Baltimore either has or is instituting investigations of these seven institutions for discreet preliminary inquiries, limited to established sources and carefully being conducted to avoid criticism to determine size, aims, purposes, activities, leadership, key activists and extremist interests or influence in these groups.

Baltimore will upon determining the identity of the officers and key activists in each group, will conduct individual case investigations on these individual officers to determine background and if their activities warrant an investigation.

It is noted that in Bureau airtel dated December 15, 1970, this survey is to include Junior Colleges and Two-Year Colleges as well as Four-Year Colleges.

The Bureau also requested that Baltimore list all those educational institutions within the Baltimore Division which have no BSU's or similar organizations regarding preliminary investigations.

The Baltimore Office does not feel that in view of the voluminous number of institutions within its territory are warrant to be set out individually. in communication to the Bureau since the Baltimore Office has taken necessary steps to open investigations on those institutions presently set forth in this communication.

BLACK STUDENT GROUPS ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES, RACIAL MATTERS

Upon completion of the preliminary inquiries to determine officers' aims and activities etc., the Baltimore Office will submit the results of such inquiries to the Bureau under the individual institution caption advising at that time that individual cases will be open on the officers and key activists in each group.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 157-4349

Baltimore, Maryland 21202

January 29, 1971

RE: BLACK STUDENT UNION (BSU)
PRINCE GEORGES COMMUNITY COLLEGE (PGCC),
LARGO, MARYLAND

On December 1, 1970, a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised the following information concerning the Black Student Union (BSU) at Prince Georges Community College (PGCC), Largo, Maryland:

A. AIMS AND PURPOSES

The BSU at the UM is described as, for the most part, a social organization. Activities of the BSU consist mainly of meetings between the faculty and black students at the UM to create dialogue and establish a certain rapport between the faculty and students. At these meetings, the BSU has stressed that the administration offer more courses in black studies and history of the Negro race.

B. NAME OF OFFICER

LEWIS MARTIN is the President of the BSU at Prince Georges Community College.

C. MEMBERSHIP

The BSU at PGCC consists of approximately 30 members.

D. GENERAL ACTIVITIES

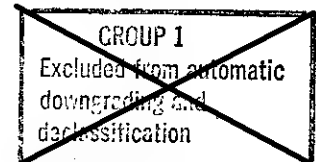
On January 25, 1971, source advised that the BSU at PGCC has not engaged in any violence or any disruptive activities at this school.

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BLACK STUDENT UNION (BSU),
PRINCE GEORGES COMMUNITY COLLEGE (PGCC),
LARGO, MARYLAND
RM

Re Bureau airtels to BA, 11/4/70 and 12/15/70,
BA airtel to Bureau, 12/16/70, captioned, "Black
Student Groups on College Campuses - RM".

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of
an LHM, setting forth background information regarding
subject matter.

LHM is classified "~~Confidential - Group 1~~"
to protect sources of continuing value in racial
matters investigation.

Source mentioned in LHM is Dr. ANDREW P.
RENNIE, Dean of Students, Prince Georges Community
College, Largo, Maryland, contacted by SA PERRY W. DORAN.

No dissemination is being made of this LHM inasmuch
as there is no indication that the BSU has exhibited
any propensity for violence on the campus of the UM,
College Park, Maryland.

The following sources were contacted and none
could furnish any information regarding the BSU:

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	12/1/70	SA PERRY W. DORAN
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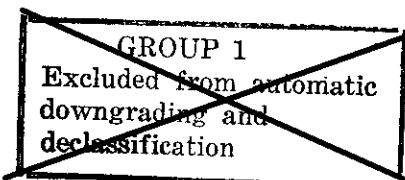
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April 30, 1971

RE: BLACK STUDENT UNION (BSU)
PRINCE GEORGES COMMUNITY COLLEGE
LARGO, MARYLAND
RACIAL MATTERS

A source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised on April 21, 1971 that the Black Student Union (BSU) is virtually a non-existent organization on the Prince Georges Community College Campus at Largo, Maryland. Source stated that the Black Student Union is an organization recognized by the college administrators and the leaders of this organization do not advocate any disruptive activities nor do they have any propensity for violence.



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BLACK STUDENT UNION (BSU)
PRINCE GEORGES COMMUNITY COLLEGE (PGCC)
LARGO, MARYLAND
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RE: Baltimore letter and LHM to Bureau dated
January 29, 1971.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight
copies of an LHM re instant matter.

In view of current Bureau instructions
relating to investigation on Institutions of Learning
and also because of the fact that the leaders of the
Black Student Union (BSU) on the campus of Prince
Georges Community College, Largo, Maryland do not meet
the criteria for inclusion on the AI or SI, no further
investigation is being conducted regarding this matter.

No dissemination is being made to any out-
side agency due to the nature of the inquiry and because
the leaders of the BSU at the Prince Georges Community
College show no apparent threat to the Security of the
United States or any of its leaders.

Source mentioned in LHM is Lieutenant EDWARD
QUINN, Security Office, Prince Georges Community College,
Largo, Maryland who furnished information to SA SIDNEY
H. ROCHE and SA E. BRUCE GALLAGHER.

LHM is classified ~~Confidential, Group 1~~ in
order to protect a source whose disclosure would be
detrimental to the Security of the United States Government.

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BLACK YOUTH BUILDERS OF THE
BLACK COMMUNITY (BYBBC), aka.
Black Youth Headquarters,
First African Congregation
of the Black Messiah
EM - BLACK NATIONALIST

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There is being furnished Baltimore herewith a xerox copy of a check dated 5/2/72 in the amount of \$15 payable to "The Wilmington Eleven Fund", drawn on the account of the Board of Trustees of Prince George's Community College, Student Activities, 301 Largo Road, Largo, Maryland, at the Southern Maryland Bank and Trust Co., Hillcrest Heights, Maryland. The check is for "donation, Black Student Union - Student Act."

This check was deposited to the account of the Wilmington Relief Fund, 714 Castle St., Wilmington, N. C., on 5/10/72, by RODERICK L. KIRBY, at the Bank of North Carolina, Wilmington, N. C. For the information of Baltimore, BYBBC was organized at Wilmington in the spring of 1971, following widespread civil unrest in Wilmington.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN CHAVIS was the organizer of this group. CHAVIS is a paid functionary of the North Carolina - Virginia Committee for Racial Justice, a subsidiary of the Commission for Racial Justice, New York, New York.

In 3/72, twelve individuals, eleven of whom are black, were arrested by the Wilmington PD and charged with various offenses which grew out of the 2/71 civil disorders in Wilmington. The eleven blacks were referred to as the "Wilmington Eleven" and a defense fund was initiated for them. Subsequently, four additional individuals have been arrested on identical charges, bringing the total number of

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defendants to sixteen. The trial of some of these defendants is scheduled to begin on 6/5/72 at Wilmington, N. C.

Some of the individuals arrested have been associated with the BYBBC. RODERICK L. KIRBY is the Assistant Pastor of the First African Congregation of the Black Messiah Church, and is a black extremist at Wilmington.

The above information is being furnished to Baltimore in order that that office may be aware of the donation made by Prince George's Community College.

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PM NITEL 11-21-72 JWH

TO ACTING DIRECTOR

(ATTENTION: DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION)

FROM BALTIMORE

BLACK STUDENT UNION AND STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY
SPONSORED RALLY AT PRINCE GEORGES COMMUNITY COLLEGE, LARGO, MARYLAND,
NOVEMBER TWENTYONE, SEVENTYTWO.

ON NOVEMBER TWENTYONE SEVENTYTWO, A SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED
RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT THE BLACK STUDENT
UNION (BSU), AND THE STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY (SDS) AT
PRINCE GEORGES COMMUNITY COLLEGE (PGCC), LARGO, MARYLAND, SPONSORED
A PEACEFUL RALLY IN BADEN HALL LOUNGE AT PGCC ON THIS DATE.

THE RALLY BEGAN AT APPROXIMATELY TWELVE NOON, WAS ATTENDED
BY APPROXIMATELY FIFTY INDIVIDUALS AND WAS HELD IN PROTEST OF THE
FATAL SHOOTING OF TWO NEGRO STUDENTS AT SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY, BATON
ROUGE, LOUISIANA ON NOVEMBER SIXTEEN LAST. FOLLOWING
SPEECHES BY A WHITE MALE, ALLEGEDLY AN SDS ORGANIZER AT THE
UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK, MARYLAND AND TWO NEGRO MALES,
REPORTEDLY BSU MEMBERS AT PGCC, ONE BSU MEMBER CALLED FOR A MARCH
TO THE PGCC PRESIDENT'S OFFICE. THIS SUGGESTION RECEIVED LITTLE
SUPPORT AND ARRANGEMENTS WERE EVENTUALLY MADE FOR FOUR MEMBERS OF

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THE PGCC STUDENT BODY TO MEET WITH THE COLLEGE PRESIDENT AT NINE A.M. NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO, SEVENTYTWO.

THE ISSUES ARE BEING SUPPORTED BY THE BSU AT PGCC ARE:

CONDEMNATION OF THE RACISTS KILLINGS IN BATON ROUGE; THE YOUTHS OF POLICE TO PUT DOWN STUDENT REBELLION IN BATON ROUGE; ORGANIZATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS TO FIGHT RACISM, RACISTS TEACHINGS, LOW WAGES, AND UNEQUAL DISTRIBUTION OF STUDENT ACTIVITY FEES.

THE BSU AT PGCC HAS DEMANDED THAT THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE CANCELL CLASSES ON NOVEMBER TWENTYSEVEN NEXT IN COMMENERATION OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED STUDENTS DEATH IN LOUISIANA AND HAVE PROPOSED A RALLY TO BE HELD AT TWELVE NOON ON THAT DATE.

THERE WERE NO INCIDENTS NOR ARRESTS.

ADMINISTRATIVE DATA:

SOURCE IS SGT. WILLIAM D. SMITH, INTELLIGENCE DIVISION, PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT, SEAT PLEASANT, MARYLAND.

NO LHM FOLLOWS.

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